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NEW CONGREGATE NUTRITION BREAKFAST PROGRAM FOR SENIORS

(WOODSTOWN, NJ) – Freeholder Jeffrey J. Hogan, Chair of the County Social Services Committee, today announced the opening of a new congregate nutrition breakfast program in Woodstown beginning August 26, 2009. The buffet breakfast will be offered to Salem County seniors 60 years of age or older at the Friends Village at Woodstown, One Friends Drive, Woodstown, NJ, 8:30 am to 9:00 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, excluding holidays.

"This is a brand new program for Salem County seniors," said Freeholder Hogan. "We are blessed to be able to offer a nutritious breakfast for free for those seniors needing food. Not only that the program provides the fellowship of being with other seniors in a clean, pleasant place."

The new senior citizens nutritional program is part of the President's American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The Salem County Office on Aging received ARRA funding to expand its present congregate nutrition programs. The Salem County Office on Aging presently administers three separate congregate sites; Village Arms Apartments, Carneys Point; Fenwick Plaza, Salem; and the Pittsgrove Senior Building, Pittsgrove. All congregate meal programs are free. Donations are accepted. All services funded by the Salem County Office on Aging are provided without charge. No customer will be denied services if unwilling or unable to make a donation. All donations received are used to offset the cost of providing these services.

"The Friends Village site is open from 8:00 am through 11:00 am," said Freeholder Hogan. "We encourage our seniors to stay for that second cup of coffee, play cards or a board game, do a craft or maybe watch a video."

To register for the free breakfast program call the Friends Village at Woodstown at 856-769-1500, or obtain additional information by calling the Office on Aging at 856-339-8622. The first ten to register will receive a free canvas bag. Transportation may be available through the Senior and Disabled Transportation Program offered by the Office on Aging by calling 856-339-8622.